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These guides made no mention of using regeneration openings as a valid silvicultural technique for marking this stand of timber. Once out in the field there were some areas of poor quality and over mature timber that the stand would benefit from a regeneration opening. There were two openings implemented on these tracts of timber. These openings will help the stand become a healthier tract of timber by harvesting the slower growing trees and the trees that are in poor quality to let the healthier more vigorous trees grow.

There was also addressed in the guides that the Thread-like Naiad was observed in Shaw Lake. This species was also discussed to be affected by increased sedimentation. There should not be much of an effect to the sedimentation of Shaw Lake from the timber harvest. The state will follow the best management practices which are designed to minimize soil loss and sedimentation; therefore the Thread-like Naiad should not be affected by the harvest.

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